U.S. Department of Justice Executive Office for Immigration Review

Decision of the Board of Immigration Appeals

Falls Church, Virginia 20530

File: D2011-077

Date:

MAY 1 3 2014

In re: HUGO ROJAS, ATTORNEY

IN PRACTITIONER DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS

MOTION

ON BEHALF OF EOIR: Jennifer J. Barnes, Disciplinary Counsel

ON BEHALF OF DHS: Eileen M. Connolly

Chief, Immigration Court Practice Section - East

The respondent, who has been suspended from practice before the Board, Immigration Courts, and the Department of Homeland Security (the "DHS") for two years, has sought reinstatement to practice. The respondent's request for reinstatement to practice will be granted.

On December 8, 2010, Evidentiary Panel for State Bar District 09-2, State Bar of Texas, issued an "Agreed Judgment of Partially Probated Suspension" concerning the respondent. He was suspended for a period of five years, beginning January 1, 2011, and ending December 31, 2015. He was actively suspended from the practice of law for a period of two years beginning January 1, 2011, and ending December 31, 2012, followed by probated suspension. Consequently, on March 24, 2011, the Disciplinary Counsel for the Executive Office for Immigration Review petitioned for the respondent's immediate suspension from practice before the Board and the Immigration Courts. The DHS then asked that he be similarly suspended from practice before that agency. Therefore, on April 14, 2011, we suspended the respondent from practicing before the Board, the Immigration Courts, and the DHS pending final disposition of this proceeding. We issued a final suspension order on May 5, 2011.

The respondent requests to be reinstated to practice before the Board, the Immigration Courts, and the DHS. See 8 C.F.R. § 1003.107. The EOIR Disciplinary Counsel does not oppose the motion, observing that the respondent has completed the period of suspension, and meets the definition of attorney at 8 C.F.R. § 1101.1(f). He will be reinstated to practice.

ORDER: The respondent is reinstated to practice before the Board, the Immigration Courts, and the DHS, as of the date of this order.

FURTHER ORDER: Because the respondent has been reinstated, public notices regarding the respondent's suspension should reflect this reinstatement.

FURTHER ORDER: If the respondent wishes to represent a party before the DHS or Board, he must file a Notice of Appearance (Form G-28 or Form EOIR-27), including any case in which he was formerly counsel, prior to his suspension.

FOR THE BOARD